

# **FHSVMPO GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

**Thursday, February 11, 2016**

Minutes from the November meeting were approved by Mary Beth Duchesneau and Mrs. Docteroff.

The Treasurer's report was presented by Tom McGorry and was approved by Lindsay Kessler and Brenda Cahill.

Lindsay Kessler requested volunteers for the nomination committee and also requested that anyone interested in serving on the executive board for next year should contact her. All positions on the executive board will be up for election at the April meeting. These positions include president, vice president, treasurer and secretary. Please contact Mrs. Kessler for a description of each position, if interested.

Members should have filled out a membership form to be included on the membership list and be eligible to vote. If you have not filled out the form, it will be posted on the web page. Please print it out and bring it to the next meeting.

Mrs. Volpato shared her comments on the winter concert. She stated that it was the most vocally challenging concert yet and that the students were all pleased with their performances. She requested your feedback.

Results of the communications survey were presented. It appears that the best way to communicate with parents is through the remind 101 system , google calendar and the webpage. These will be the primary modes of communication going forward. Text messages regarding fundraisers will now have a picture attachment showing what the cover of the fundraiser packet looks like. Announcements about fundraisers are made in class and the information is left on the piano in the choir room.

Dress rehearsal for the Coffee House concert is on 2/23/16 and is mandatory. The Coffee House concert date has been changed to 2/25/16. Attire for this concert is nice jeans (no rips please) and the FHS shirt or a plain black shirt,

black shoes and black socks. Girls can wear a jean skirt or a black skirt if desired. Students doing a duet who would like to wear an appropriate costume may do so. They will need to coordinate the change of clothes. A Sign-Up Genius will be going out to students for volunteers for the Coffee House as this is a student run concert. Volunteers are needed for set-up, baking, coffee, etc. Everyone must stay to help tear down. Parents are welcome to stay and help tear down as well. Students not helping to set up should report at 5:45, doors open at 6:30 and the show will be from 7-8 or 8:15. Tickets are \$5.00 and can be purchased in advance, or at the door.

The tickets for the Phantoms on 2/27 is now closed. Any parent not travelling with their child should notify Ms. Volpato ahead of time. The choir is now on a spring and fall rotation with the Iron Pigs and therefore will be performing twice per season. Tickets for the game/performance on 5/21 are still available.

Student activity accounts, activity fees, and uniform payments were mentioned. If you have not yet paid these fees, please do so as soon as possible as they were due in November.

Mrs. Rusack and Mrs. Kessler were acknowledged for their work on the dresses and attire for our gentlemen. The new clothing for our men really makes them look sharp and their efforts are much appreciated.

Mrs. Cahill gave an update on the Disney trip. So far, there are 31 students going and 10 parents. We have to submit an audition tape for the candlelight procession and will begin working on that after the Coffee House concert.

Mrs. Roche gave a summary of the fundraiser results. This was included with the treasurer's report. A fundraiser chair will be needed for next year as well as volunteers to run each fundraiser. Mrs. Roche generously volunteered to sit down with future volunteers to show them the ropes.

Next membership meeting will be on 4/12/16 at 6 pm following the choir retreat.

Respectfully submitted,

Barb McGorry

Secretary